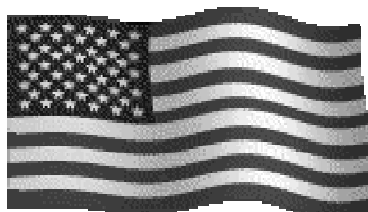




Special points of interest:

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Director's Report

I would like to welcome everyone back from your holiday's festivities and wish you a Happy New Year. The New Year will bring us many challenges, however, we look forward to working with users and citizens to continue to make Scottsdale Airport one of the premier general aviation airports in the country.

Many of you may not know that several groups each month meet at the Airport, including the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), Arizona Business Aviation Association (AzBAA), and AZ Scottsdale Network Airpark (AzSNAP). If you have the opportunity to participate in these groups, you will also have the opportunity to visit our facilities at the Airport. If you need more information on these groups, please visit our website for links to theirs and we look forward in seeing you at the Airport.

City Council voted to establish an Aviation Subcommittee of the Council. This Council Subcommittee is tasked with finding ways for the City of Scottsdale to be more involved in aviation issues in the region. In addition, this group will ultimately be recommending policies to the full City Council on local, regional and national aviation issues. The first meeting will take place in late January or early February with information available on the Airport's website at www.scottsdaleaz.gov/airport.

As always, if we can be of assistance to you or if you have any suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact the Airport Administration office at (480) 312-2321.

Scott T. Gray
Aviation Director

On December 9, 2002, the Scottsdale

Airport Construction Update

Progress on the Kilo ramp reconstruction project continues to move forward ahead of schedule. The north half of the ramp will be completed by the first week of February. After that, we will switch gears to begin work on the south half of the ramp. If the weather cooperates, we should be able to complete the project

in its entirety by the 2nd week of March. We would like to pass on our thanks to all of the Kilo ramp tenants for their patience during this airfield improvement project.



What's next for airfield construction?? If the funding from ADOT survives State budget cuts, we will be overlaying the Alpha taxiway in July.

You are Part of the Airport Security Team

Terrorists have not initiated any new attacks in the United States since 9/11, however, the FBI is still posting warnings that attacks are being planned and may occur. They also note that aviation is still a desirable target for them. Changes continue to take place after 9/11 and the security at our airport has been vastly improved. Some key players in the security team at Scottsdale Airport are the tenants and employees who are on the field every day. Airport tenants and employees should be looking for anyone or anything that looks suspicious and notifying the appropriate people if something is noticed. Aircraft owners can also help by protecting their aircraft from theft by using additional anti-theft devices such as, prop locks and/or throttle locks. Finally, if you see something suspicious on or around the airfield, please call Airport Operations at (480) 312-8478 or if you see a crime in progress, call the Scottsdale Police Department by dialing 911.



The New Arizona Flight Training Workgroup (AFTW)

The AFTW is comprised of volunteer flight instructors and managers that are dedicated to improving flight safety in Arizona. AFTW has introduced their official web site at www.aftw.org. This web site provides a means for communicating important information such as:



- ⇒ Flight school practice areas and frequencies
- ⇒ Accepted procedures for practice IFR approaches at Casa Grande Airport
- ⇒ Location and descriptions of aerobatic boxes
- ⇒ Specific suggestions to increase your flight safety
- ⇒ When and where they meet
- ⇒ Much, much more!

Recap 2002 Airport Noise Program

As part of our ongoing commitment to a thorough and effective noise program, we thought a brief recap of the past year's events would be appropriate.

A significant milestone is the noise complaint tracking system was changed to collect data on all noise complaints. In April, the City began accepting complaints from outside the traditional airport area (10 miles by 12 miles), began logging complaints involving any aircraft (not necessarily pertaining to Scottsdale Airport) and in June a system was established so that complaints could be logged via the City website in addition to the traditional noise hotline.

Throughout the year staff returned 446 complaints and inquiry calls, conducted 18 pilot briefings, 25 one-on-one realtor briefings, 2 home visits and reviewed 39 development proposals for compliance with the noise compatibility plan. Special briefings were also held for 2 realtor offices, 3 realtor education and 3 homeowners association meetings (1 being an Airport Advisory Commission meeting). Staff also attended the annual Realtor Expo (900 realtors in attendance), participated in the formation of a regional Flight Training Workgroup (to discuss safety and noise issues for flight training activity), encouraged an air ambulance operator to obtain a quieter jet aircraft and evaluated the FAA's management of the airport jet arrival traffic pattern. The number of aircraft noise complaints increased significantly in 2002 while the total number of operations increased only modestly from 2001. 2002 = 7850 complaints by 408 people, 2001 = 569 complaints by 230 people, resulting in a 1280% annual increase in complaints with a 77% increase in the number of complainants. However, these statistics should be reviewed in proper context. Of the 2002 complaints, only six people or 1.2% of the total number of callers submitted 66% of the total complaints.

The noise information compiled for the Scottsdale Airport website www.scottsdaleaz.gov/airport has also been significantly enhanced and is now a thorough reference guide to local and national noise abatement issues. The pilot education program was also enhanced by the website improvements and the airport pilot guide was completely changed and re-issued, with approximately 8,000 guides being distributed annually. Several noise disclosures and easements for developing commercial and residential properties around the airport have also been secured where appropriate (as defined by the 1997 Noise Compatibility Plan).

Scottsdale Airport is committed to being a leader in local noise abatement efforts. We are looking forward to initiating the Noise Compatibility Study update and continuing to enhance our community outreach program.

Operational Levels

The following is a breakdown by user of the total of the 195,474 operations in the year 2002 :

⇒ 121,104 Itinerant

⇒ 74,910 Local

Of the total 195,474 operations in the year 2002, 32,699 were categorized as IFR operations.

Year to date total is up approximately 5% in comparison to last years total of 184,000.

The following identifies the historic calendar year operational levels.



1996 – 183,108

1997 – 185,100

1998 – 208,464

1999 – 230,591

2000 – 206,533

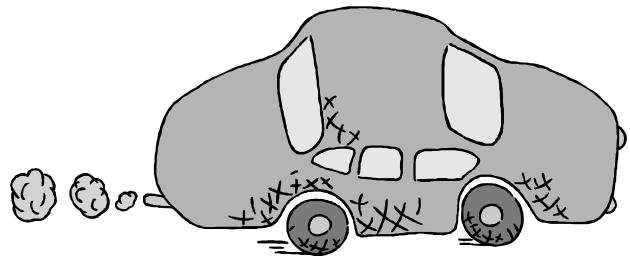
2001 – 184,727

2002 – 195,474

Give Corporate Jets Gate a Break

This time of year, the vehicle gate located at Corporate Jets will be activated approximately 300 times per day. This gate is continually used by transient pilots, rental cars, livery service and other non-based service vehicles. Corporate Jets personnel are responsible for screening all of these vehicles prior to granting them access. Adding in additional based vehicles just reduces their ability to provide good screening and makes controlling the vehicles on their ramp areas very difficult.

Airport Operations is requesting that if you have an airport issued proximity card, please use the gate that is closest to your aircraft or place of business instead of the Corporate Jets Gate. The airport proximity cards will work at any of the seven airport access gates.



A Great War Hero Has Passed

I would like to take a moment to remember Joe Foss, who passed away on January 1st. For those that didn't know him, he was a Ace pilot, former governor of South Dakota, and the 1st Commissioner of the American Football League just to name a few of his accomplishments. Joe was a big supporter and driving force behind the proposed Scottsdale Fighter Pilots Museum. Many people will certainly miss Joe, and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to meet and work with him during the museum planning process. Please take time to remember Joe and those that have protected us with their military service.



Quote of the Quarter

“ The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. “

--- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Airport Advisory Commission Update

July 2002

The July Airport Advisory Commission meeting was cancelled.

August 2002

The Airport Advisory Commission meeting was held on August 14th. Permit ratifications included Brainwash, LLC to conduct hangar/shade leasing services in the Airpark, Scottsdale FBO, Inc. to conduct fixed base operator services, and Business Aircraft Management Inc. to conduct aircraft maintenance and repair services at the Airport. Action items included the approval of the revised minimum operating standard for specialized aircraft flying services. An action item discussing the proposed airpark rule and regulation change for the fuel flowage fee payment due date was tabled until next meeting. Informational items included an update of the noise reports for June and July 2002 as well as a discussion regarding Airport traffic issues with helicopter and jet arrivals, enforcement issues, and the Williams Gateway radar.

September 2002

The Airport Advisory Commission meeting was held on September 11. Permit ratifications included Gatts of Arizona to conduct flight training services, Robert R. Russell to conduct hangar/shade leasing services in the Airpark, Q's Inflight Services to conduct off-airport in flight catering services, and a denial of ratification for Vie De France to conduct off-airport in flight catering services because failure to appear at the meeting as scheduled three (3) times. Action items included the approval of the revised airpark rule and regulation regard-

ing a change to the fuel flowage fee payment due date, and recommendation to the City Council for a grant agreement and contract award for the Kilo Ramp project. Informational items included an update of the noise report for August 2002 as well as a discussion regarding the cancellation of the proposed aircraft auction in January 2003 and U.S. Customs User Fee Service.

October 2002

The Airport Advisory Commission meeting was held on October 14, 2003 at the City of Scottsdale's Water Campus. The primary discussion was regarding Ironwood Village air traffic issues.

November 2002

The Airport Advisory Commission meeting was held on August 13th. Permit ratifications included SimCom Training Center to conduct specialized flight training services and Airpark Partners, LLC to conduct hangar/shade leasing services in the Airpark. Action items included the approval of the 5-year Airport Capital Improvement Program, the approval of a one year renewal of the Airport Engineering Services contract with Gilbertson Associates, and approval of an ADOT grant for the airport surface treatment program. Informational items included an update of the noise reports for September and October 2002 as well as a discussion regarding the Williams Gateway radar, and U.S. Customs Service.

December 2002

The December Airport Advisory Commission meeting was cancelled.

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